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**Subject: Application number 10/709571, Petition to Make Special**

We the inventors of application 10/709571 hereby petitions the USPTO to "make special" application per 37CFR 1.102.

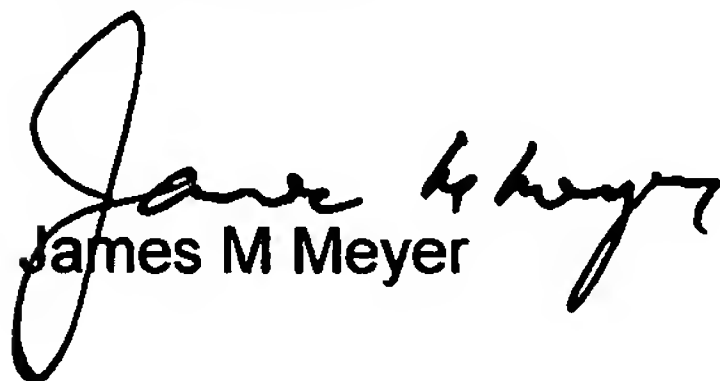
The basis for the petition is Energy Conservation as detailed in Chapter 700, *Manual for Patent Examining Procedure*, Section 708.02, part VI, category B.

The invention complies with the requirements of section 708.02 for special status because of the fuel efficiency improvement derived from the application of the invention to the internal combustion engine.

Sincerely,

  
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